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## Comments on Draft Public Art Plan Sought at Beaverton Summit

Beaverton; April 7, 2009 – Mayor Denny Doyle invites anyone interested in public art in Beaverton to a summit to comment on a draft plan to increase the visibility and impact of public art. The draft plan was developed from input received at the first Public Art Summit in February and through several dozen stakeholder interviews. Public Art Summit 2, hosted by the Beaverton Arts Commission (BAC), will take place Thursday, April 23, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Kingstad Center (15450 SW Millikan Way) in Beaverton.

"Public art in Beaverton can help establish a distinct city identity, enliven the downtown area, and connect everyone in the community by celebrating the unique diversity of our city," said Mayor Doyle. "Public participation is vital to ensuring that the artwork is connected to and has meaning for our community."

There is no registration fee, however pre-registration is encouraged. Participants may register by calling the Beaverton Arts Commission at (503) 526-2288 or by sending an email to <a href="mailto:jscott@ci.beaverton.or.us">jscott@ci.beaverton.or.us</a>. To receive a copy of the draft plan, please contact the Beaverton Arts Commission.

## **About the Beaverton Arts Commission**

The BAC contributes significantly to the quality of life in Beaverton by presenting artistic and cultural events, which celebrate community values and helps connect residents to their artistic and cultural heritage. The BAC spearheads public art projects in Beaverton, including a new mural program, as well as presenting the annual Visual Arts Showcase and Last Tuesdays, an outdoor celebration of music, art and food each summer. For more information, contact the Beaverton Arts Commission at www.beavertonarts.org or call (503) 526-2288.

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